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Filed: August 10, 2001
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SITES USING FAS LIGAND FRAGMENTS

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TRANSMITTAL SHEET

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for the above-identified application, please find:

- (1) Response to Office Action mailed June 18, 2003 w/Exhibits A-H (73 pgs);
- (2) Petition for Two Month Extension of Time (2 pgs);
- (3) Check # 548545 in the amount of \$210.00; and
- (4) Return Receipt Postcard.

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I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on November 18, 2003, in an envelope addressed to:
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A check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed for the two month Extension of Time fee.
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be associated with this communication, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1355.

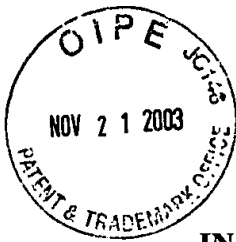
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Dear Sir or Madam:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on June 18, 2003, with respect to the above-referenced application. The period of time for responding to the Office Action was set to expire on September 18, 2003. Applicants petition herewith for a two month extension of time.

Applicants have considered each of the rejections raised and offer the following amendments and remarks in response. Reconsideration of the rejections is respectfully requested.

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Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the specification begin on page 2 of this paper;

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 11 of this paper;

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 15 and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes;

Remarks begin on page 16 of this paper; and

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 19 of this paper.